

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OF DECEMBER 19TH, 1934.

The Board of Public Works met in the offices of the Board of Public Works, on Wednesday, December 19th, 1934.

Present:

Albert C. Ritchie, Governor.
Wm. S. Gordy, Jr., Comptroller.
John M. Dennis, Treasurer.

Mr. Walter N. Kirkman was also in attendance.

Judge Carroll T. Bond, Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals, Dr. J. Hall Pleasants of the Maryland Historical Society, and Mr. Laurence Hall Fowler, Architect for the Hall of Records building, appeared before the Board and discussed the question of plans to be made for occupancy of the building and supervision of the work and custody of the records in the new building.

It was agreed that some investigation be made of the methods used elsewhere, with a view to determining what would be best for the State of Maryland to do, and that some thought should be given to the personnel needed for the work.

The Board authorized Judge Bond, Doctor Pleasants and Mr. Fowler to act as a committee to consider whatever legislation is necessary to carry out the purposes for which the Hall of Records was erected, and to get whatever other information was necessary to formulate plans for regulation and supervision of the building and its records. The gentlemen named were authorized to secure the assistance of anyone else interested in the work.

Mr. Isaac N. Field, President of the Board of Montrose School for Girls, Mr. Clarence A. Tucker, Treasurer of the School, Mrs. Edith P. Gardner, Superintendent of the School, and Mrs. Lou Stem Bounds, clerk, appeared before the Board and discussed the situation confronting the School, claiming that the appropriation available to the School for the current fiscal year 1935 is inadequate to take care of the operating expenses. It was stated that approximately \$9,000.00 additional would be needed to the end of the year.

The Board advised the representatives of the School that it would take the matter under consideration, and advise them later of its conclusions.

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There being no further business the meeting adjourned.


Secretary.

* The Comptroller took up with the Board the question of non-payment of bill of the First National Bank of Lonaconing, Lonaconing, Maryland, for 1931 taxes, in the amount of \$215.91, and the non-payment of the bill of the First National Bank, Federalsburg, Maryland, for 1931 taxes, in the amount of \$34.23.

The Comptroller stated that advices received as to these accounts showed that these banks went out of business, and were finally liquidated without any possibility of the State being able to collect at this time the taxes covered by our bills.

On motion duly seconded the Comptroller was authorized to abate the taxes on his books because of their being uncollectible.